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CONTROL THE RATE OF FLOW
OF A FLUID THROUGH A CONDUIT

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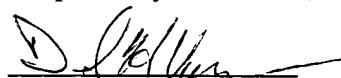
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Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner five (5) references. The Examiner is respectfully requested to thoroughly review and officially consider these documents upon examination of the subject patent application. Copies of the documents are enclosed. These documents are listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Should the Examiner wish to discuss this matter further, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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